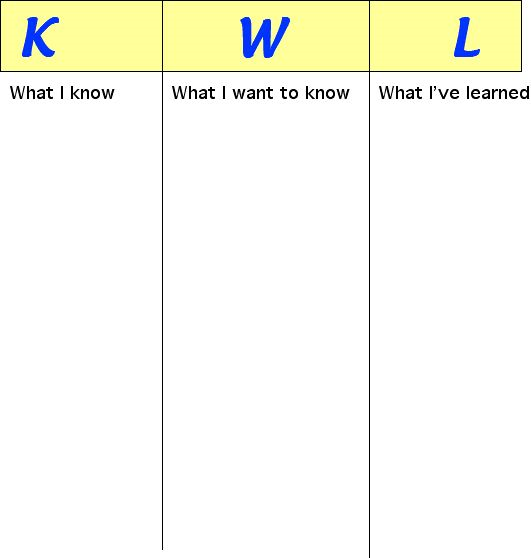
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**Invasive Species of Illinois**

**Instructions: Part A.)** Complete answers using the information from the introduction to invasive species, your textbook, and the internet.

1. What is a native species?
2. What is an invasive species?
3. What is an example of an invasive species in Illinois? Try coming up with one besides Asian Carp.
4. Fill out the KWL chart below



**Part B-** For part B you will be assigned an organism that is considered to be invasive in Illinois. You will use reliable internet sources to find out as much about the organism as possible. Here are some questions to guide your thinking. Please try to come up with other characteristics besides the ones provided.

1. What is your organism? (animal, plant, other)
2. Where does the species come from?
3. What does it eat?
4. Is it a predator or prey?
5. What damages does the invasive species cause?
6. Besides Illinois, where else is this organism found?
7. Why was this species introduced?
8. What organisms are affected by its presence?
9. What are some other interesting characteristics of your species?

**Part C-** Using the knowledge that you have learned about your species and other invasive species, come up with a way to slow the spreading of your invasive species. Also include why it is important to control this invasive species.Ex.) Think of different things that would control the amount of reproduction. We will discuss your methods at a later date.